



PULASKI COUNTY SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

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NOTICE OF CLAIM OF EXEMPTION FROM SCHOOL CHOICE

This is the formal notice of Pulaski County Special School District (PCSSD) to Arkansas Department of Education (ADE) and the Arkansas State Board of Education (SBE) that PCSSD claims an exemption from the School Choice Act for the 2017-18 school year. This exemption was invoked by the PCSSD Board of Education at its special meeting on March 28, 2017, pursuant to Judge D. P. Marshall Jr.'s order of August 9, 2016, a copy of which is attached hereto.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jerry Guess", is written over a horizontal line.

Dr. Jerry Guess
P.C.S.S.D. Superintendent

3/29/17

Date

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS
WESTERN DIVISION

LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL DISTRICT,
et al.

PLAINTIFFS

v.

No. 4:82-cv-866-DPM

NORTH LITTLE ROCK SCHOOL
DISTRICT, *et al.*

DEFENDANTS

LORENE JOSHUA, *et al.*

INTERVENORS

ORDER

For the reasons stated on the record at the end of the 8 August 2016 hearing, the motion to intervene, *No* 5234, is denied and the motion to enforce, *No* 5223, is granted. (The Court clarifies that it benefitted from the Dulaney's arguments and recognizes the family as *amici curiae* on the motion to enforce.) The parties' 2014 settlement agreement, as embodied in this Court's Consent Judgment, *No* 5063, obligates the State Board of Education to honor exemptions from the School Choice Act claimed by the Pulaski County Special School District and the Jacksonville/North Pulaski School District through the 2018-2019 school year. The State

Board's 15 July 2016 decision granting the Dulaney's' school choice appeal, No 5223-5, is set aside.

So Ordered.

D.P. Marshall Jr.
D.P. Marshall Jr.
United States District Judge

9 August 2016